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In re/ Application of Yong Mi Choi-Sledeski et al. U.S. Application No. 09/918,039 Filed July 30, 2001 Confirmation No. 3370

Sulfonic Acid or Sulfonylamino –(heteroaralkyl)-azaheterocyclylamide Compounds

(Atty. Docket No. P24,540-E US1)

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Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR §1.136(a)

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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the term to respond to the Office Action of January

24, 2003 be extended one month from April 24, 2003 to May 24, 2003.

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Applicants: Yong Mi Choi-Sledeski et al.

Application No.: 09/918,039

A check to cover the extension fee is enclosed. If there is any error in the fee submitted, please charge or credit the difference to Deposit Account No. 19-5425. A duplicate of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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